

House District 10

Jim Whitaker, Republican



DATE OF BIRTH: September 30, 1950

PLACE OF BIRTH: Bremerton, Washington

NAME OF SPOUSE: Patricia "Jinx" Whitaker

CHILDREN: Victoria, Christine, Jennifer, Wendy

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: 302 "C" Street
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

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OCCUPATION: Business Owner

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 19 years
Fairbanks 1965, 1974, 1987 to present
Girdwood 1964
Palmer 1959

EDUCATION:
University of Oregon, 1973, B.S.

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
Alaska State Legislature, 1998-present; Fairbanks City Council, 1995-1998.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:
Small business owner since 1976.

SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:
Founding member, Volunteers in Policing; board member, Festival Fairbanks; former board member, Yukon Quest.

STATEMENT:

The future of Alaska must be considered and planned for today. Our future can be, and must be prosperous and optimistic, but will be only if we:

- Create and maintain a business climate which allows existing industries to grow and expand, and new industries to seek opportunities
- Require effectiveness and efficiency from state government
- Balance the state budget on a sustainable basis and,
- Demand the finest system of higher education possible and then be willing to pay for it.

These are goals that must be vigorously and relentlessly pursued by the legislature, and the administration.

Additionally, a bond of trust must be maintained between our government and the people of Alaska. For too long the institution of state government has been perceived and criticized as being cumbersome and self-serving. We Alaskans must demand that our government and our legislators be responsive to our needs.

We should be optimistic. Our future can be bright and prosperous. We have an enviable array of opportunities; and solutions are at hand to deal with our challenges. As we ponder our future, we should consider and vote for candidates who put integrity and honesty above all else, and who understand economic reality and then are willing to make difficult, bold and wise decisions. Spend your votes carefully; our future depends on it.

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